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	Clayton R. Williams	2457

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to *10/2/08*.

2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are *6-8,10-12,15-17,24-26,28-30,32-37,39,41,43 and 45*.

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2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____

4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application

6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____ .

7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9. ☐ Other _____ .

/ARIO ETIENNE/
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

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        Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview

with James Thompson on Dec. 12, 2008.

1. (Canceled)
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Canceled)
5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended)   A method as in claim [[1]]11 ~~further comprising:~~

                ~~monitoring communications including commands received from over the~~
        ~~network and destined for receipt by the host computer through the network~~
        ~~interface; and~~

                wherein disabling the network interface includes temporarily disabling a
        link supporting communications from the host computer through the network
        interface to deny the host computer access to the network, denial of access to
        the network prompting the host computer to initiate reconfiguration of the host
        computer for further communications through the network interface.

7. (Currently Amended)   A method as in claim [[1]]11, wherein disabling the network
interface utilized by the host computer includes:

temporarily terminating an electronic signal otherwise transmitted on a
communication link from the network interface to the host computer to maintain a
connection between the host computer and the network, termination of the
electronic signal causing the host computer to initiate a routine to re-establish
another communication link through the network interface to access the network.

8. (Currently Amended)   A method as in claim [[1]]11, wherein disabling the network
interface causes the host computer to detect that the host computer is no longer
able to communicate through the network interface, the host computer, in
response, initiating a routine to re-establish a link through the network interface
to access the network via a different network service than used to access the
network prior to the disabling of the network interface.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended)   A method as in claim [[1]]11 further comprising:

receiving a second network message through the network interface from
over the network;

identifying that the second network message includes a reconfiguration
command directed to a second host computer; and

forwarding the other second network message to the second host
computer which executes the reconfiguration command to reconfigure the
second host computer with a new network address.

11. (Original)   A method for reconfiguring a host computer to access a network,
the method comprising:

providing the host computer access to the network through a network
interface;

forwarding a network message transmitted to the host computer from a
node in the network through the network interface, the network message
including a command to initiate reconfiguration of the host computer for further
communications through the network interface;

after forwarding the network message to the host computer, monitoring
communications transmitted from the host computer through the network
interface to identify whether the host computer initiates reconfiguration of the
host computer based on execution of the network message; and

in response to detecting that the host computer does not initiate
reconfiguration of the host computer based on receipt of the network message,
disabling the network interface utilized by the host computer to access the
network.

12. (Currently Amended)   A method as in claim 11, wherein providing the host
computer access to the network through a the network interface includes:

supporting communications between the host computer and the network
through the network interface based on a connection oriented protocol.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Original)   A method as in claim 12, wherein disabling the network interface
includes:

terminating a link between the host computer and the network at a link
layer of a connection-oriented protocol supporting communications between the
host computer and the network through the network interface.

15. (Original)   A method as in claim 11 further comprising:

identifying that the network message is a reconfigure command
transmitted from a configuration server through the network interface to the host

computer, the network message transmitted by the configuration server to initiate reconfiguration of the host computer.

16. (Original)   A method as in claim 15, wherein identifying that the network message is a reconfigure command includes:

detecting that the network message is a DHCPFORCERENEW (Dynamic Host Control Protocol Force Renew) message transmitted from the configuration server to the host computer, the configuration server attempting to initiate reconfiguration of a network address of the host computer via the network message.

17. (Original)   A method as in claim 12, wherein disabling the network interface prompts the host computer to initiate a request for an assignment of a new network address supporting further communications through the network interface.

18. (Canceled)
19. (Canceled)
20. (Canceled)
21. (Canceled)
22. (Canceled)
23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended)   A computer system as in claim [[19]]29 ~~further performing operations of:~~

~~monitoring communications including commands received from over the network and destined for receipt by the host computer through the network interface; and~~

wherein the operation of disabling the network interface includes temporarily disabling a link supporting communications from the host computer

through the network interface to deny the host computer access to the network,
denial of access to the network prompting the host computer to initiate
reconfiguration of the host computer for further communications through the
network interface.

25. (Currently Amended)   A computer system as in claim [[19]]29, wherein the
    operation of disabling the host computer includes:

    temporarily terminating an electronic signal otherwise transmitted on a
    communication link from the network interface to the host computer to maintain a
    connection between the host computer and the network, termination of the
    electronic signal causing the host computer to initiate a routine to re-establish
    another communication link through the network interface to access the network.

26. (Currently Amended)   A computer system as in claim [[19]]29, wherein the
    operation of disabling the network interface causes the host computer to detect
    that the host computer is no longer able to communicate through the network
    interface, the host computer, in response, initiating a routine to re-establish a link
    through the network interface to access the network via a different network
    service than used to access the network prior to the disabling of the network
    interface.

27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently Amended)   A computer system as in claim [[19]]29 further performing
    operations of :

    receiving a second network message through the network interface from
    over the network;

    identifying that the second network message includes a reconfiguration
    command directed to second host computer; and

forwarding the ~~other~~ second network message to the second host computer which executes the reconfiguration command to reconfigure the second host computer with a new network address.

29. (Previously Presented)   A computer system supporting access to a network, the computer system including:

a processor;

a memory unit that stores instructions associated with an application executed by the processor;

a communication interface that supports communication with nodes in the network; and

an interconnect coupling the processor, the memory unit, and the communication interface, enabling the computer system to execute the application and perform operations of:

provideing a host computer access to the network through a network interface;

forwarding a network message transmitted to the host computer from a node in the network through the network interface, the network message including a command to initiate reconfiguration of the host computer for further communications through the network interface;

after forwarding the network message to the host computer, monitoring communications transmitted from the host computer through the network interface to identify whether the host computer initiates reconfiguration of the host computer based on execution of the network message; and

in response to detecting that the host computer does not initiate reconfiguration of the host computer based on receipt of the network message, disabling the network interface utilized by the host computer to access the network.

30. (Original)   A computer system as in claim 29, wherein providing the host
        computer access to the network through a network interface includes:
                supporting communications between the host computer and the network
        through the network interface based on a connection oriented protocol.

31. (Canceled)

32. (Original)   A computer system as in claim 30, wherein the operation of
        disabling the network interface includes:
                terminating a link between the host computer and the network at a link
        layer of a connection-oriented protocol supporting communications between the
        host computer and the network through the network interface.

33. (Original)   A computer system as in claim 29 further performing operations of:
                identifying that the network message is a reconfigure command
        transmitted from a configuration server through the network interface to the host
        computer, the network message transmitted by the configuration server to initiate
        reconfiguration of the host computer.

34. (Original)   A computer system as in claim 33, wherein the operation of
        identifying that the network message is a reconfigure command includes:
                detecting that the network message is a DHCPFORCERENEW (Dynamic
        Host Control Protocol Force Renew) message transmitted from the configuration
        server to the host computer, the configuration server attempting to initiate
        reconfiguration of a network address of the host computer via the network
        message.

35. (Original)   A computer system as in claim 30, wherein the operation of
        disabling the network interface prompts the host computer to initiate a request for

an assignment of a new network address supporting further communications
through the network interface.

36. (Currently Amended)   A computer system coupled to a network that supports
transmission of data, the computer system including:

 means for ~~enabling the host computer to access a network through a~~
~~network interface~~ providing a host computer access to the network through a
network interface;

 means for ~~intercepting a network message i) received from over the~~
~~network and ii) destined for receipt by the host computer through the network~~
~~interface~~ forwarding a network message transmitted to the host computer from a
node in the network through the network interface, the network message
including a command to initiate reconfiguration of the host computer for further
communications through the network interface

 after forwarding the network message to the host computer, means for
monitoring communications transmitted from the host computer through the
network interface to identify whether the host computer initiates reconfiguration of
the host computer based on execution of the network message; and

 in response to ~~intercepting the network message, means for disabling the~~
~~network interface to prompt the host computer to perform a reconfiguration~~
~~routine~~ detecting that the host computer does not initiate reconfiguration of the
host computer based on receipt of the network message, means for disabling the
network interface utilized by the host computer to access the network.

37. (Original)   A computer program product including a computer-readable
medium having instructions stored thereon for processing data information, such
that the instructions, when carried out by a processing device, enable the
processing device to perform the steps of:

 ~~enabling the host computer to access a network through a network~~
~~interface;~~

~~intercepting a network message i) received from over the network and ii)~~
~~destined for receipt by the host computer through the network interface; and~~
~~in response to intercepting the network message, disabling the network~~
~~interface to prompt the host computer to perform a reconfiguration routine~~

providing a host computer access to a network through a network
interface;

forwarding a network message transmitted to the host computer from a
node in the network through the network interface, the network message
including a command to initiate reconfiguration of the host computer for further
communications through the network interface;

after forwarding the network message to the host computer, monitoring
communications transmitted from the host computer through the network
interface to identify whether the host computer initiates reconfiguration of the
host computer based on execution of the network message; and

in response to detecting that the host computer does not initiate
reconfiguration of the host computer based on receipt of the network message,
disabling the network interface utilized by the host computer to access the
network.

38. (Canceled)

39. (Previously Presented)   A method as in claim 11 wherein:

the method further comprises receiving at the network interface from the
host computer a web-based command to connect the host computer to the
network via a different network service than used to connect the host computer to
the network prior to the disabling of the network interface, and sending the web-
based command across the network to the node in the network; and

forwarding the network message includes receiving, at the network
interface, the network message from the node in the network in response to
sending the web-based command across the network to the node in the network.

40. (Canceled)

41. (Previously Presented)   A computer system as in claim 29 further performing
operations of receiving at the network interface from the host computer a web-
based command to connect the host computer to the network via a different
network service than used to connect the host computer to the network prior to
the disabling of the network interface, and sending the web-based command
across the network to the node in the network; and wherein:

the operation of forwarding the network message includes receiving, at the
network interface, the network message from the node in the network in
response to sending the web-based command across the network to the node in
the network.

42. (Canceled)

43. (Previously Presented)   A method as in claim 11, wherein the network is
separate from the host computer and network interface, and is accessible by the
network interface via any one of a plurality of network services;

wherein providing the host computer access to the network through the
network interface includes assigning the host computer a first IP address to allow
the host computer to access the network via use of a first network service;

wherein the command to initiate reconfiguration of the host computer
includes a command to obtain a second IP address that is different from the first
IP address to allow the host computer to access the network via use of a second
network service; and

further comprising assigning the host computer the second IP address to
allow the host computer to access the network via use of the second network
service.

44. (Canceled)

45. (Previously Presented) A computer system as in claim 29, wherein the network is
separate from the host computer and network interface, and is accessible by the
network interface via any one of a plurality of network services;

   wherein providing the host computer access to the network through the
network interface includes assigning the host computer a first IP address to allow
the host computer to access the network via use of a first network service;

   wherein the command to initiate reconfiguration of the host computer
includes a command to obtain a second IP address that is different from the first
IP address to allow the host computer to access the network via use of a second
network service; and

   wherein the interconnect coupling further enables the computer system to
execute the application and perform operations of assigning the host computer
the second IP address to allow the host computer to access the network via use
of a second network service.

Allowable Subject Matter

2.   Claims 6-8, 10-12, 15-17, 24-26, 28-30, 32-37, 39, 41, 43 and 45 are allowed.

3.   The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance. The closest

prior art of record, Monachello does not teach nor suggest in detail a method wherein a

network interface utilized by a host computer is disabled in the event the host computer

does not reconfigure its method of access to a network in response to receipt of a

reconfiguration command. Rather, Monachello teaches providing a host computer with

a reconfigure command; however, this command is not "forwarded", but a message

generated by an intermediary node in response to receipt of a reconfigure command from a reconfiguration server is transmitted to the host computer. Moreover, there is no teaching in Monachello that the network interface is disabled in the event the host computer does not reconfigure itself in response to the reconfiguration command.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

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